

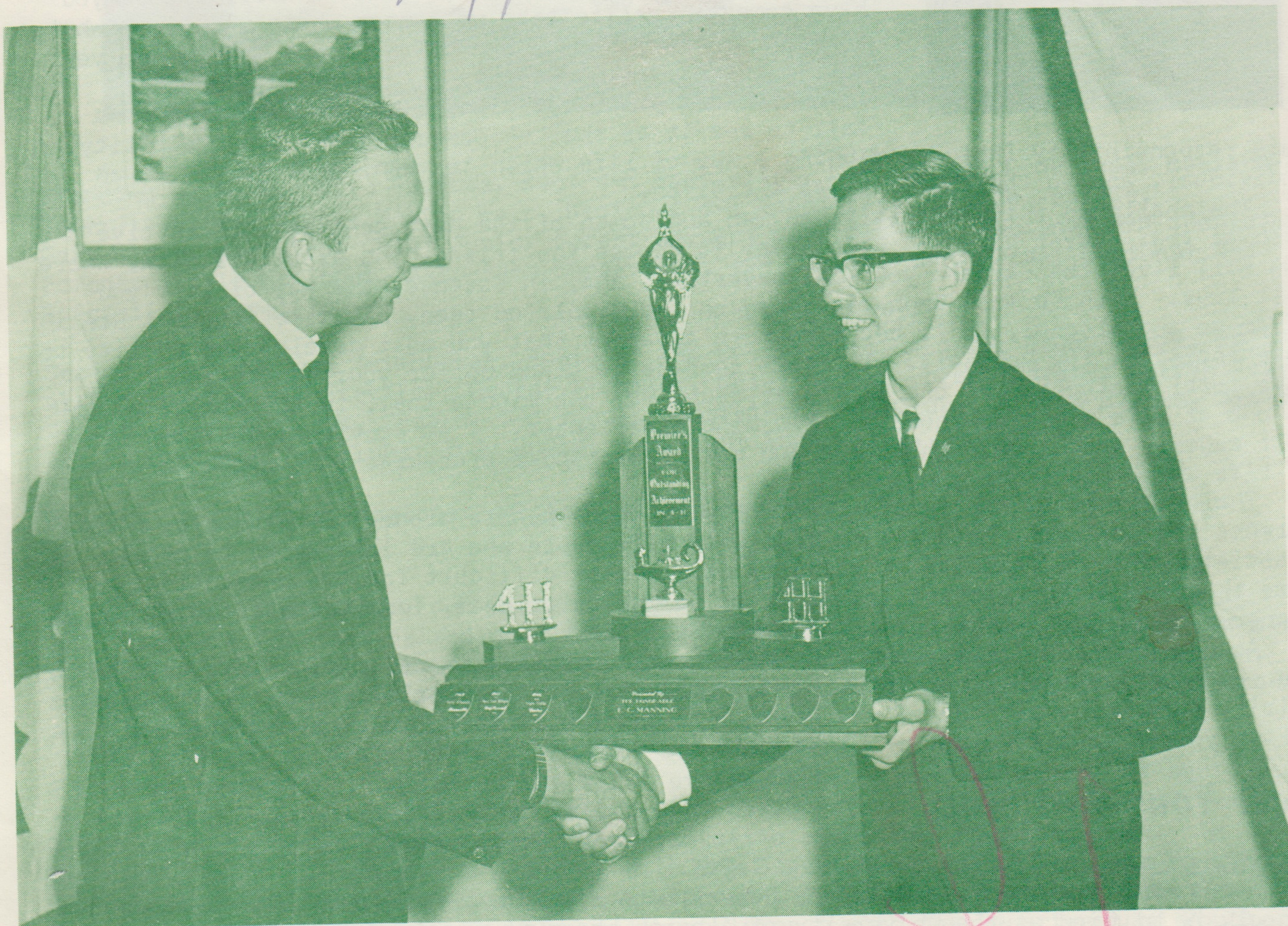
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STAN AINSLIE, DELBURNE, RECEIVING THE 1967 PREMIER'S AWARD FROM
HON. R.C. CLARK, MINISTER OF YOUTH - AUGUST 3rd, 1967.

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C.L. Usher, Deputy Minister

A Message from the Minister, Hon. R. C. Clark



It is indeed a pleasure for me to address 4-H members and leaders in this first issue of 4-H Club News published under the Department of Youth. I hope you will find it a meaningful and useful contribution to your club program.

It hardly seems possible that Centennial year, 1967, is now history. As we look back there are numerous events to recall: Expo; challenge, achievement, and fun; the Centennial Train and Caravan; the across-Canada canoe pageant; and special Centennial days and events in your own communities. I hope, as you reminisce, that you will not fail to remember your own special personal projects -- I think there were very few Canadians who did not have a part in Centennial. Most of all, I hope you have come to realize that no matter where you live, what your ethnic background, or what your age might be - you are, first of all, a Canadian.

With this privilege - and I'm afraid sometimes we fail to see it as that -- comes a great responsibility.

This responsibility includes finding a way of life which is meaningful to you as an individual, and to the community as a citizen.

The challenge which awaits young men and women of the next century must involve each of you. Never have you been freer to choose the friends you associate with, where you will live, the careers you will undertake, and, in essence, the way of life you will live. With so much emphasis today on the misplaced teen, his more frequent use of drugs and alcohol, it is becoming more apparent that you must develop the ability to make decisions for yourself. It takes courage to stand up for your convictions, to have moral backbone. No one will ever doubt for one minute that, in the long run, it is one of life's most personally rewarding experiences. I am convinced that 4-H'ers will eagerly accept this challenge and not weaken under pressures to conform to a way of life which isn't for you.

The challenge of the future lies not with young people alone. It also lies with parents and community leaders; in fact with all people who are interested in people. In a society which is changing so rapidly, it may seem difficult for two generations to come to grips with important issues -- to communicate ideas, ideals and areas of concern, never the less such communication is vital.

As we enter the first year of Canada's second century, hopefully, we can maintain the momentum and enthusiasm which was developed during Centennial year. In this same spirit, each and every one of you as 4-H'ers and 4-H leaders can contribute towards making your community, your province and your country a better place in which to live.

Meet Your 4-H Staff

Mervyn H. Jaque - Director of 4-H and J.F.W.

Mr. Jaque was born and raised in the Beaverlodge district. Upon completion of high school, he studied at the University of Alberta where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture. He also holds a Masters Degree in Education from Colorado State University. Before Mr. Jaque joined the Department of Agriculture as a District Agriculturist, he operated his own feed and seed company in Lacombe and later farmed near Beaverlodge.

In 1964, Mr. Jaque was appointed principal of Fairview Agricultural and Vocational College, Fairview. He held this position until he became Director of 4-H & J.F.W. in February, 1967.

Mr. Jaque's interests include amateur radios, lapidary work, and young people.



Standing L. to R: Milo Barfuss, Reg. 4-H Specialist, Lethbridge; Lida Rees, Assistant Supervisor, 4-H Clubs; Mahlon Weir, Regional 4-H Specialist, Grande Prairie; Gary Algot, Assistant Chief Junior Forest Warden; Doug Bienert, Regional 4-H Specialist, Edmonton; Lyle McNichol, Associate Supervisor, 4-H Clubs; Paddy Moran, Regional 4-H Specialist, Vermilion.

Seated L. to R: Don Heimbecker, Regional 4-H Specialist, Calgary; Doug Norman, Regional 4-H Specialist, Stettler; George Brewster, Chief Junior Forest Warden; Mervyn Jaque, Director, 4-H & J.F.W. Branch; Ted Youck, Supervisor, 4-H Clubs; Arnold Malone, Assistant Supervisor, 4-H Clubs; Judy Murta, Assistant Supervisor, 4-H Clubs.

Missing: Lyle Ross, Regional 4-H Specialist, Red Deer

R. T. Youck - Supervisor, 4-H Clubs

Mr. Youck was born and raised on a farm at Strasbourg, Saskatchewan, and received his public and high school training there. He attended the University of Saskatchewan, receiving a B. of Sc. in Agriculture in 1959, specializing in Agricultural Economics and Farm Management.

Following graduation, he joined the staff of the Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture as Assistant Agricultural Representative with headquarters at Melville and Estevan. In 1962, he was appointed Agricultural Representative at Eastend, Saskatchewan. In December, 1965, he accepted a position with the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool, as Manager of the Farm Service Centre at Rosetown, Saskatchewan, in the newly organized Farm Service Department. This position was held until appointment with the Department of Youth.

In addition to being an antique collector, Mr. Youck is a curler, game hunter, and a recent member of the Proud Papa's Association.

Arnold J. Malone - Assistant Supervisor

Certainly no stranger to the 4-H program is Arnold Malone. His smiling face has been seen at many leaders courses, camps, club weeks, and achievement days.

After completion of high school at Rosalind, he studied at the Agricultural and Vocational College, Vermilion, and at Montana State University, Bozeman, where he received a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture. An ardent 4-H member himself, Mr. Malone was a member of the Rosalind Beef & Dairy Clubs for ten years. In 1957, he was awarded a

trip to National Club Conference.

Arnold's interests are many but high on his list are debating, public speaking, wood-work, and water skiing.

Lyle W. McNichol - Associate Supervisor

A native Saskatchewanite, Lyle joined the 4-H staff about 1½ years ago. He has become actively involved with the summer camping program, agricultural achievement days, and leaders courses with main emphasis on the agricultural projects.

Lyle received a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture and a Masters of Science degree from the U. of Saskatchewan. Following university, he was an agricultural advisor for Quaker Oats Co.

A 4-H member for a number of years, Lyle was enroled in grain and beef projects. He attended the first Junior Leadership Camp in Saskatchewan to which Alberta delegates are being sent today.

Sports of all kinds are a favorite of Lyle's but his top preferences are hockey, curling and hunting.

Judy Murta - Assistant Supervisor

The only Manitoban on staff, Judy comes to us from a farm south of Winnipeg. She was active in her home community being involved in Hi C, Student Council, and choir. A nine-year member of her local 4-H beef club, Judy attended National Club Conference in 1963.

While attending the University of Manitoba, Judy was an ardent fan of drama, curling, and tennis. She received a B. H. Ec. degree in 1966. Judy came to Alberta as a District Home Economist stationed at St. Paul. Shortly afterwards, she transferred to her present position with 4-H.

A great many things intrigue Judy, but when asked her favourites she replied, "folk music, skiing, 4-H club weeks, ceramics, singing, and sewing."

Lida Rees - Assistant Supervisor

One of the newest members to the Edmonton staff is Lida Rees, who joined us July 1. She was born and raised in Vancouver but is familiar with Alberta and farm life since she has lived several summers on her uncle's farm near Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta.

Lida received her Bachelor of Home Economics degree from U. of B.C. in 1966 and then worked for the B.C. Department of Agriculture, 4-H Club Division. However, it didn't take her long to notice the beauty of the prairies and we are glad she decided to come east.

Her interests include riding, skiing, art, sewing and photography. If you haven't met Miss Rees yet, do keep an eye out for her at leaders courses, camps, or achievement days.

Don Heimbecker - Regional 4-H Specialist, Calgary

A familiar face to most 4-H'ers in the central portion of the province is Mr. Don Heimbecker who has been with 4-H for a number of years. Following his agricultural training at the U. of A., Don taught at the Olds Agricultural and Vocational College. He also spent some time ranching near Midnapore.

His interests include skiing, horticulture, and working with young people. Don's boundless energy carries him through many functions as he serves Calgary and neighboring areas.

Douglas Bienert - Regional 4-H Specialist
A former member of the Leduc 4-H Dairy Club, Doug is serving the north western portion of the province. His top 4-H achievements include grand champion calf and the Provincial Showmanship Award in 1960.

Mr. Bienert graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture from Cal Poly University in California in 1967. During his university career, he was a member of the University dairy judging team. He was named to the "Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges" and as "Outstanding Dairy Cattle Judge" at Cal Poly.

4-H members and leaders in the north-west region will no doubt be amazed at Doug's enthusiasm, flow of new ideas, and baseball talents.

Milo Barfuss - Regional 4-H Specialist, Lethbridge
With headquarters at Lethbridge, Milo serves the southern portion of the province. He was born at Hill Spring and received his high school education there. In 1967, he graduated from Brigham Young University at Provo, Utah with a Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Economics. He has always taken an interest in youth activities and has been active in Boy Scouts, 4-H, and student council.

Mr. Barfuss' interests include game hunting, football, wrestling, hockey, and softball. For those of you who have not met Milo, you have a real treat in store.

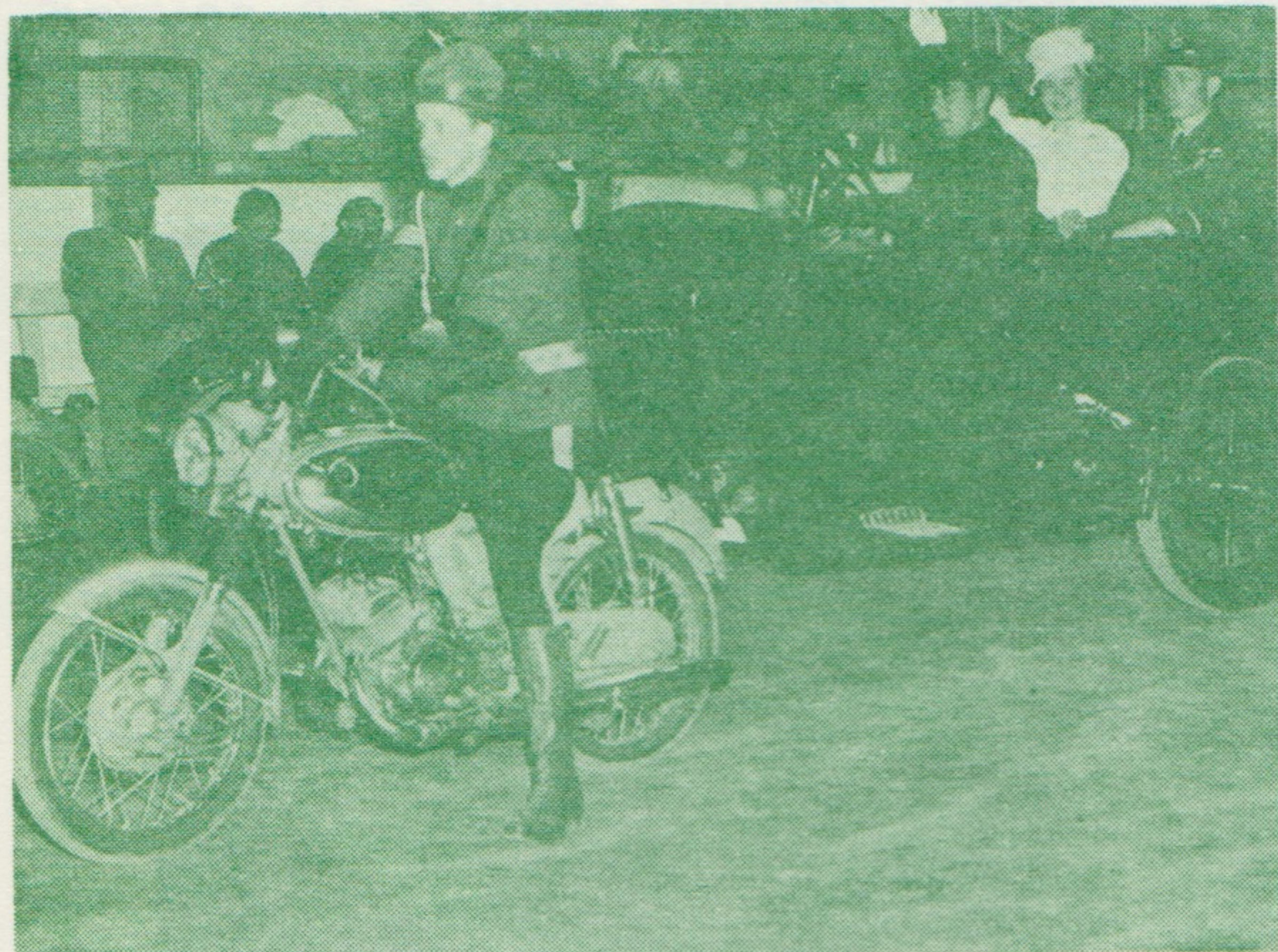
Patrick Moran - Regional 4-H Specialist, Vermilion
A native B.C'er, Paddy grew up on a dairy farm in the Fraser Valley. He was a dairy club member for eight years, president of his club for six years, and president of the Junior 4-H Area Council for 2 years. His ability to judge dairy cattle was proven when in 1964, he placed second in provincial judging competitions.

Paddy holds a B.S.A. from the University of B.C. He is serving the north eastern portion of the province from Lac la Biche to Sedgewick.

Douglas Norman - Regional 4-H Specialist, Vermilion
A former assistant D.A. at Coronation, Doug joined the 4-H staff this fall. His home is at Stettler and he also received his high school education there. Doug was an active member of the Stettler Dairy Club for a number of years.

In 1967, Mr. Norman graduated from the University of Alberta with a degree in Agriculture, majoring in Economics and Rural Sociology. Doug's cheerful smile makes him a friend of all -- especially 4-H members.

The Golden Centennial Jamboree



The Edmonton Gardens was an extremely active center on April 22, 1967. It was the scene of the mammoth 4-H jamboree depicting the 50th Anniversary of 4-H in Alberta and the Centennial of Canada.

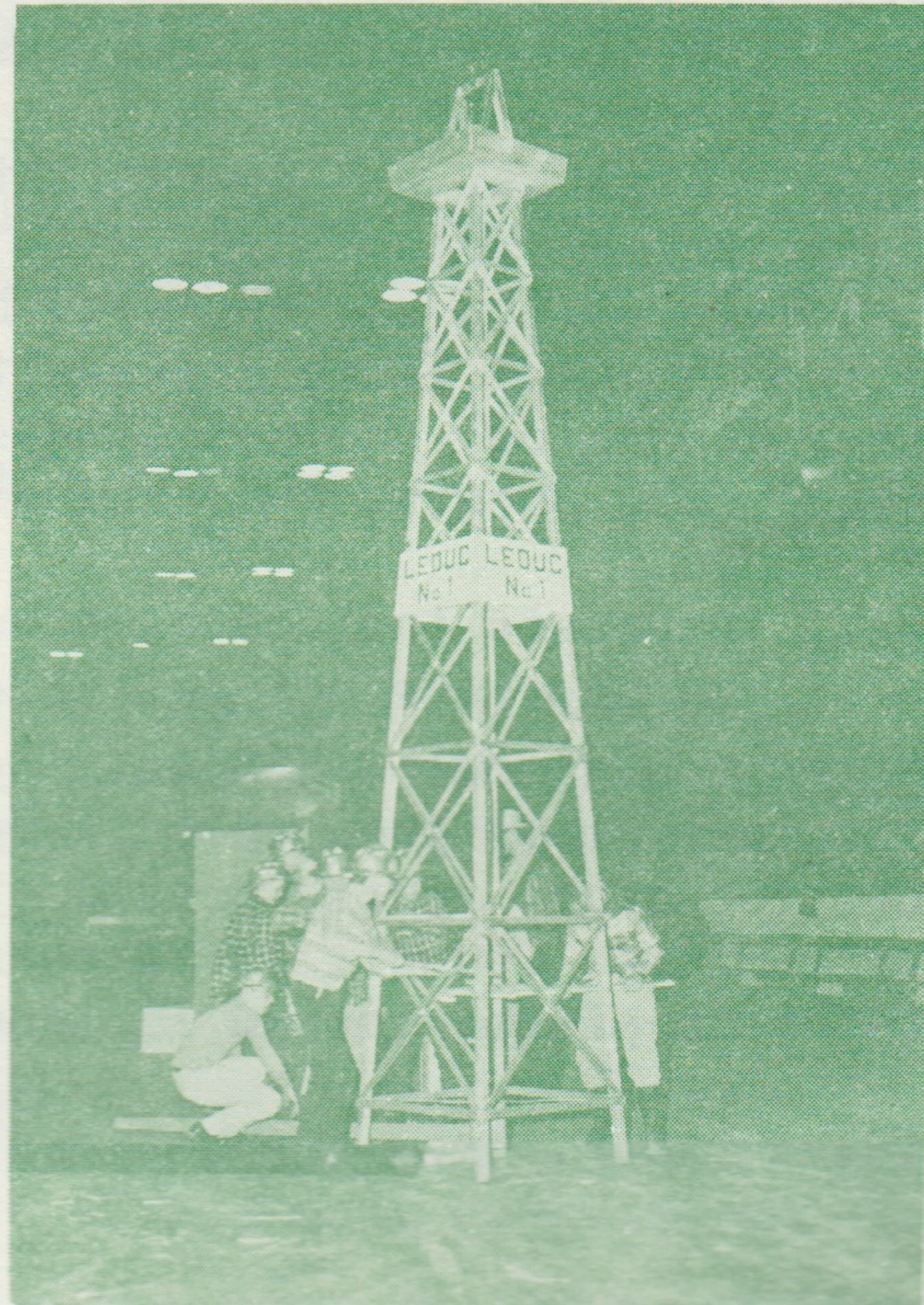
The Edmonton Regional 4-H Council initiated and planned the event under the patronage of His Honour, Dr. J.W. Grant MacEwan, Lieutenant Governor of Alberta. Mr. Allan Shenfield, president, Edmonton Regional 4-H Council, produced the show and it was directed by Mr. Jack Benbow producer of "4-H Club Time".

Over 5,000 persons from all over the province were in attendance and over 500 4-H'ers from the Edmonton area participated in the show.

The highlights can be stated as:

- the parade of Banners representing 4-H in Alberta
- the portrayal of Canada's history
- 50-voice choir from Morinville
- 20-voice choir "The Centennial Swingers" from Villeneuve
- 9' foot Golden Centennial Birthday Cake (and every one there received a slice of it)
- the candle lighting ceremony depicting 50 years of 4-H in Alberta.

Perhaps the following pictures will help recall some of the events.



Numerous letters and comments were received by the Regional Council following the show. A few of them are as follows:

From Brooks - "167 of us from this area will consider it an experience never to be forgotten and a real memory of Centennial year."

An Alberta M.L.A. - "A grand opportunity of observing so many 4-H club members co-operating in a delightful Centennial project. It was a stupendous undertaking, cleverly thought out and chosen; Well narrated and ably acted out. An achievement that our 4-H clubs may well be exceedingly proud of."

A Participating Parent - "This will be a long-remembered event in the lives of all participants."

From Barons, Alberta - "The evening show was simply wonderful and truly enjoyable. Please extend my best appreciation to the local Edmonton 4-H'ers for putting forth their best efforts."

From Mrs. E. Ward Jones, wife of the founder of 4-H in Canada - "It was indeed a thrill as one who has been interested in boys and girls clubs since that modest little beginning at Rolland (my home town incidentally), Manitoba, in May of 1913. The combination of the Centennial with the 50 years of 4-H efforts was beautifully handled and a great credit to all who were involved. My heartiest congratulations to you all."

From former leader - "I think it was the greatest thing ever put on by the 4-H. It was most interesting all the way through and the important events of our great country were well portrayed and acted out. I was amazed at the attendance and when I saw all the clubs that were represented, it made me realize what a great thing 4-H really is. I am humbly proud to have had some connection with it, and was privileged to serve my community in the capacity of a leader."

1917 A FEW REFLECTIONS 1967

The following two articles are reprints from the 1941 Department of Agriculture's annual report. By the statistics that are stated and the implications within the written paragraphs you will note a substantial change in the numbers of 4-H members and basic objectives of the club movement. These facts and expressions were printed 27 years ago but also 23 years after the formation of the first club. No doubt you find it interesting to note the accelerated increase in membership in the second half of our 4-H existence. Further, note the change of emphasis; where today the project serves as a very important method of capturing a potential members interest, and as a means to individual development and growth, it one time held as its basic and singular objective the improvement of livestock and field crops.

PROGRESS OF CLUB WORK IN ALBERTA

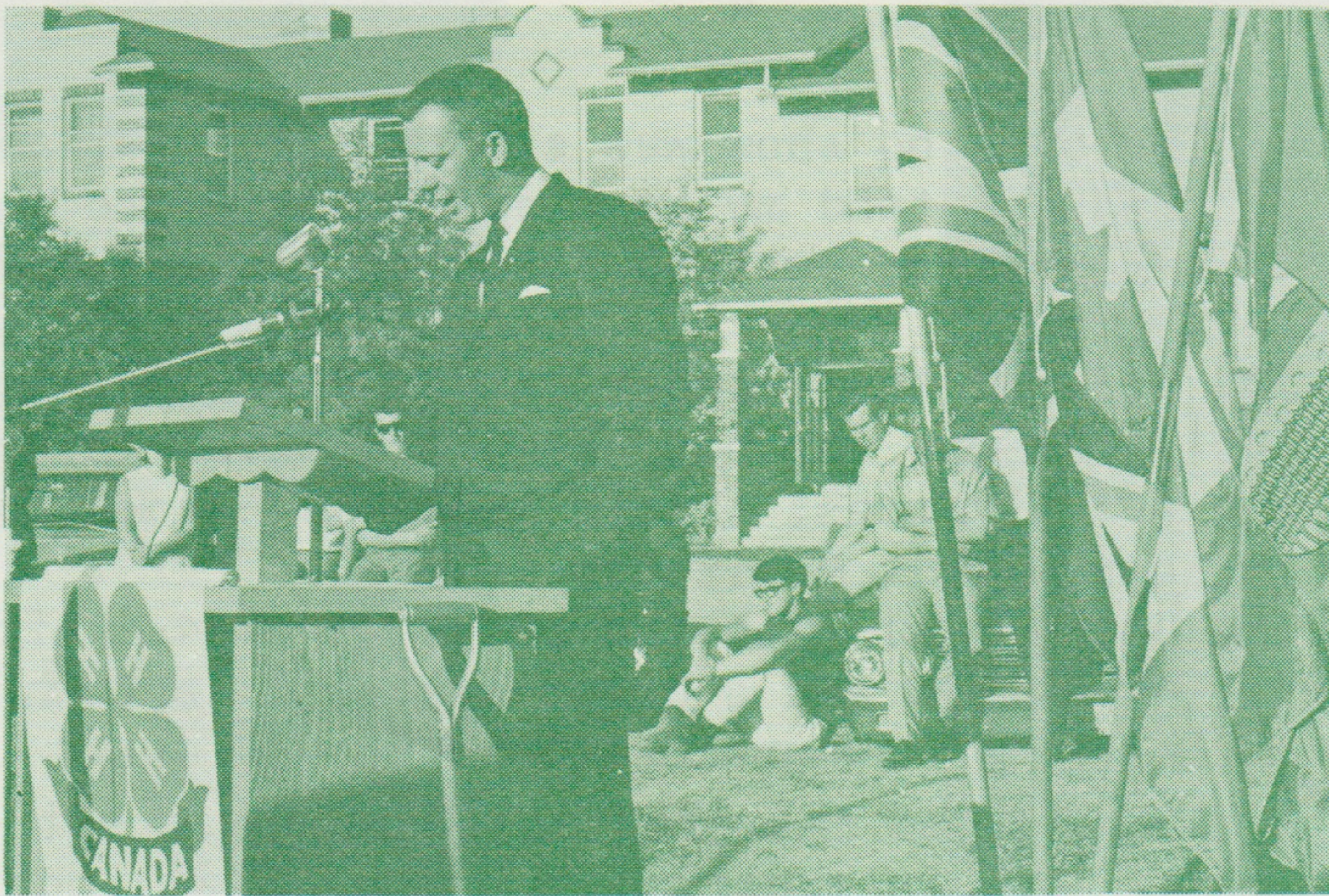
The Boys' and Girls' section of the Department of Agriculture in Alberta is steadily forging ahead. In the central portion of the Province, three new clubs have been organized; at Swalwell with twenty-four members; Three Hills with twenty-five members, and at Stettler with sixteen members. The Swalwell Club is a Tamworth Club, and the other two are Yorkshire Clubs. Some very fine gilts were secured for these clubs.

Dairy Calf Clubs have been organized at Didsbury and Alix, with twenty members in the former and twelve in the latter.

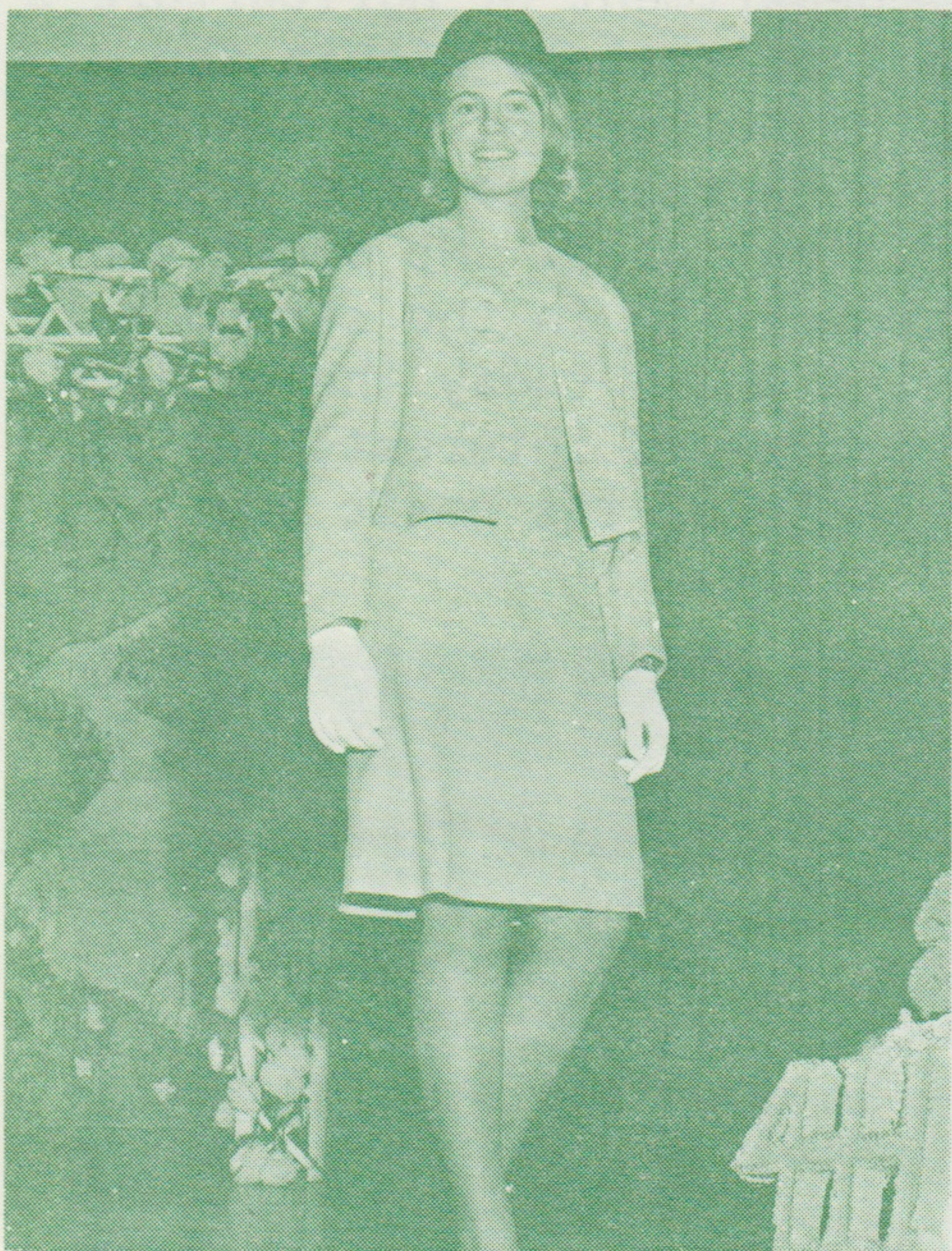
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4-H Clubs of Alberta GOLDEN ANN

Olds Agricultural and Vocational



Hon. R.C. Clark delivering
the Commemorative address



A display of Talent at
the fashion show



Long time friends in the
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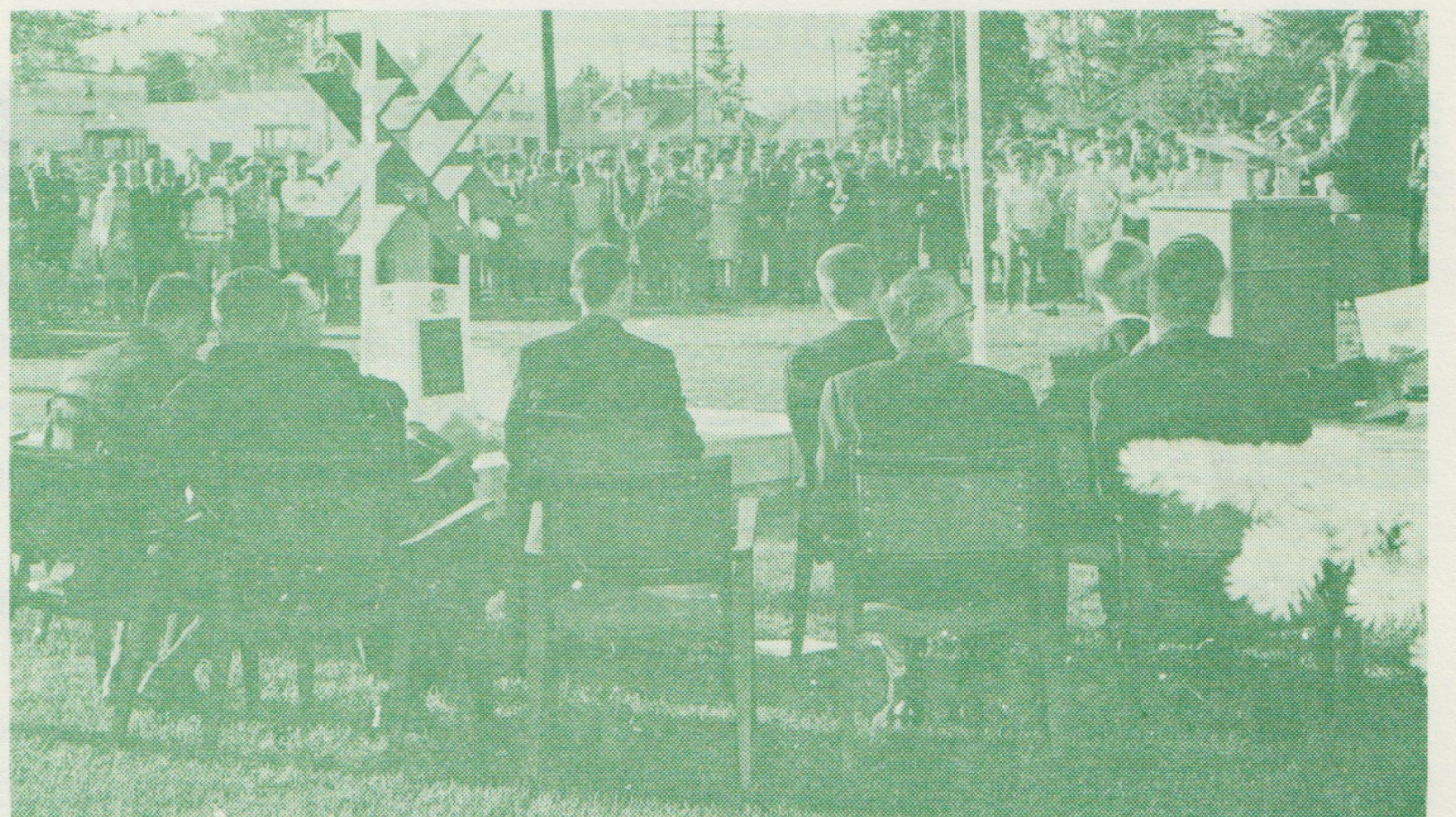
ANNIVERSARY

National College August 2, 1967.



Lawrence Fisher, a member of Alberta's 1st 4-H Club and John Robinson, a 1967 major Award Winner jointly plant tree to symbolize the future growth of 4-H

Laura Pickles, 1966 Premier's Award Winner, pledges on the behalf of young people, the desire to strive for high ideals.



Lighting the candles of the Giant Birthday cake

CARIN

A Swine Club with an initial membership exceeding forty has been organized at Morinville. This club is under the direction of H. Tremblay of the Department of Agriculture, who is being ably assisted by the Soldier Settlement Board Representative, Mr. McLean.

A large number of club members were present at the field day held at Mr. John Gordon's farm at Innisfree on July 6th. Compliments are in order to those who arranged such a successful day, and it is to be hoped that much good came out of such a large gathering.

CLUB MEMBERSHIP REDUCED

This year there is some reduction from 1940 in number of clubs actively operating in Alberta and in total membership. Following are figures for 1941:

Beef feeding clubs	27
Dairy calf clubs	10
Swine clubs	22
Wheat clubs	54
Oat clubs	20
Barley clubs	6
Potato clubs	2
Flax clubs	1

Total membership in all clubs -- 2,476

The total membership for 1940 was 3,388. The reduction this year appears to be due largely to war conditions.

ALBERTA CELEBRATES 50 YEARS OF 4-H CLUB WORK

See Centre-Spread Picture Story

In addition to our Canadian Centenary, 1967 was celebrated as another major anniversary year for those people interested in the 4-H movement in the Province of Alberta. 1967 marked the Golden Anniversary of Alberta 4-H Clubs.

The first club in Alberta, a swine club, was established in the Olds district in the spring of 1917 by the late W.J. Elliott. Mr. Elliott was a former Principal of the Olds School of Agriculture and at the time of initiation of the first 4-H Club, he was serving as an extension agent in the Olds area for the Department of Agriculture. The principle objective of the first club was the improvement of the swine in the Olds area. The first club had a membership of 24 and each member was to purchase two registered gilts.

In the year following 1917, fifteen clubs were organized in Alberta with a total membership of 225. The Lethbridge district hosted Alberta's first 4-H Beef Club organized in 1923.

It was not until 1940 that the first girls club, a garden club, was officially established by the Extension Branch.

The project, which received almost complete emphasis in the early years of 4-H, soon proved to be an opportunity vehical for a much broader personal development program. Public speaking, conduct of business meetings, program planning, leadership training, and many other concepts are now actively a part of 4-H.

Today, Alberta 4-H Clubs number 525, with a membership of 8500. There are presently 13 projects offered in the Alberta 4-H movement.

On August 2, 1967, Mr. W.S. Elliott, Edmonton, son of the founder of Alberta's first 4-H club unveiled a cairn in commemoration of the Golden anniversary of Alberta's 4-H Club work. The ceremony took place at the Olds Agricultural and Vocational College and was attended by several hundreds of people interested in the 4-H movement. Commemorative addresses were given by Hon. R.C. Clark, Minister, Alberta Department of Youth, and Mr. S.S. Graham, Director, Extension Branch, Alberta Department of Agriculture.

Mr. Lawrence Fisher, a member of the first club at Olds in 1917 and John Robinson, Springbank, a major award winner in 1967, planted a blue spruce near the cairn to signify continued growth of the 4-H movement.

Following the dedication ceremonies, a banquet was held in recognition to many of the men and women who had contributed extensively to the 4-H program over the past 50 years.

In the evening, a program depicting the 50 years of 4-H growth was held at the Olds High School Auditorium. The program was suitably concluded with the lighting of the candles on a giant seven foot high birthday cake.

Congratulations to Alberta 4-H Clubs; may we wish you every continued success.

My Hands to Larger Service

4-H Clubs all across Canada have been doing much to improve conditions for those less fortunate. Alberta clubs are certainly no exception.

A number of very interesting projects have been conducted this year to help celebrate our Centennial. The Lethbridge Herald gives the following account of one such project:

"Ten 4-H clubs in the Taber area have really put the emphasis on one of the four points of the 4-H pledge--"My hands to larger service." They've adopted a Korean boy through the Unitarian Service Committee of Canada. It's their Centennial project.

I always admire the zest with which 4-H members enjoy what they're doing. Their projects are consistently commendable. But this endeavor is heart-warming.

The 10 clubs centre around Enchant, Hays, Grassy Lake, Taber and Vauxhall. They are all in the Taber 4-H Council area.

The adoption for one year, with the chance to renew at the end of that time, began July 13, 1967. Each club supplies its share of the \$120 needed to sponsor the eight year old boy, Bai Myong Kwan, for a year in the Hong Jei Children's Home, Seoul, Korea.

Myong was taken to the home in March, 1965, when his parents separated. They were in extreme poverty. The name of the home Hong Jei, means "good care and development." The Taber Council 4-H members are helping in that care and development. There are about 100 children in the home maintained by the USC and run by Oh Joo Sun, a man trained in agriculture and law who has a strong desire for social work and helping his fellow countrymen.

The 4-H Council, complying with overseas mailing dates, has already sent Myong Kwan his Christmas gift -- a cheque for \$8.00. The USC will use the money to buy Myong a stainless steel rice bowl, school bag, stockings, coloring book and crayons.

Congratulations to these 4-H members who are truly pledging their "Hands to larger service." And good wishes to the Taber 4-H Council executive."

CANADA - FROM COAST TO COAST

The 5th annual Interprovincial Exchange took place during the month of July from the 10th - 24th. Nine Alberta delegates were chosen to visit the nine other Canadian provinces. In exchange, Alberta was host to nine delegates representing the other nine provinces. The exchange is an annual event that is organized by the Provincial 4-H Departments and the Canadian Council on 4-H Clubs. The Royal Bank of Canada sponsors the exchange trip of ninety 4-H delegates.

For the incoming delegates, a two day program was planned including a barbeque, city tour of Edmonton, and a first-hand view of the Calgary Stampede. On completion of this schedule, each delegate set out to stay with the first of his two host families.



Ralph Spicer has returned to Ontario to finish his grade twelve and to continue working on the home farm. Norman A. Lagasse of Killarney, Manitoba is continuing with his work on his dad's farm in hopes of buying his own one day.

With nine years of club work behind him, Lorne Ferguson of Saskatchewan anticipated making new friends and exchanging new ideas and concepts in Agriculture. I am sure he reached his objective. From Kamloops, B.C., John Naughton, expressed an interest in becoming a rancher. For the time being he is working on his dad's ranch.

Janet Brooks has returned to New Brunswick to finish her high school and eventually become a Commercial teacher. Her interests are in library work, community service, and church choir. Newfoundland's delegate Alfred Efford, is planning to attend University and become an M.D. Then he hopes to be a Medical Missionary. Representing our French counterpart was Raymond Beaudry of St. Marc, Quebec, who indicated a desire to know more about the English culture.

Joseph Howlett of Prince Edward Island hopes to complete high school and get a B.Sc. in Agriculture. Joseph's main objective on his trip was to see a huge cattle ranch. Heather Davison, whose future plans are geared to nursing, has been a 4-H member in projects dairy and beef.

The nine Alberta delegates met in Edmonton on July 11th for a short orientation session. A tour of the Royal Bank and Legislative Buildings, as well as a banquet in the Chateau Lacombe in the evening were part of the day's program.

Several of the delegates upon returning from their trip completed a report of their adventures and experiences. Annette Trisko from Strome was the lucky delegate sent to Prince Edward Island. From her report she writes, "July 10, 1967 was the big day.... We met the Minister and Deputy Minister of Youth, Mr. Clark and Mr. Usher. A banquet at the Chateau Lacombe was the highlight of the evening." (Continued page 16)

Centennial 4-H Seminar - L'Esterel, Quebec

As a special tribute to our Canadian Centennial, the Canadian Council on 4-H Clubs planned and organized a Seminar in which twelve delegates from each province participated. Without the financial support of the Centennial Commission and members of the Canadian Council on 4-H Clubs, this project would not have been realized.

L'Esterel was the place chosen as it not only had ample and adequate facilities for a conference, it also was relatively isolated from the throngs of Montreal and Expo.

The presentations and discussions throughout the seminar were geared to the following such topics as: - What forces will shape Canada's development from those presently active and those which will be significant in the future?

- What is the force affecting rural young people--their work, lives, and communities?
- How can the opportunities provided for members of 4-H Clubs help them to share thoughts about the future role of youth.
- It was hoped that as a result of the intense discussions, each delegate would feel a deep commitment to participate actively in helping to shape the future of Canada.

The Seminar motto "Discover--Share" will long be remembered by Laura Pickles, Castor; Shirley Clark, St. Albert; Bruce Walker, Gleichen; Donna Sanden, Hussar; Murray Holt, Sangudo; Werner Wennekamp, Lloydminster; Beverley Dobson, Paradise Valley; Leonard Shandruk, Two Hills; Ralph Solomons, Lacombe; John Robinson, Calgary; Kenneth Eshpeter, Strome; Olivia Rosychuk, Two Hills.

Mr. M.H. Jaque, Director, 4-H and Junior Forest Warden Branch, and Mr. Arnold Malone, Assistant Supervisor, 4-H Clubs, were the supervisors although they claim to have had as much fun as the delegates.



4-H'ers Visit Manitoba



This July, twenty-five 4-H'ers were selected to participate in a Centennial exchange with Manitoba. Mr. and Mrs. John M. Evjen, club leaders from Stony Plain acted as chaperones. Upon returning home, Mrs. Evjen relates the following account of their trip.

"It was early on July 5th that some very happy 4-H members from the northern part of Alberta boarded the Greyhound chartered bus in Edmonton. In Red Deer we stopped to pick up the 4-H'ers from the central part of Alberta, and then in Calgary we were treated to a lovely Farewell Banquet at the Beachcomber and there a few more 4-H members joined our group. We were 18 girls, 7 boys, and 2 chaperones.

Our first overnight stop was Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan., where we arrived quite late at night, but everybody was up in good time to get breakfast and be on the way in the morning. Friendly chatter and sing-songs made the trip less tiresome and our second overnight stop was Brandon Extension Centre. There we enjoyed seeing the 4-H thematic displays, also clothing and handicrafts made by 4-H members. We viewed the livestock and machinery and most of the young people took in the Grandstand show.

There was a terrific thunderstorm during the night that almost flooded the fields all the way to Selkirk where we were to meet our host families.

After five days we met again at Selkirk Park where we were treated to a picnic lunch and then we started our return journey. Most of the 4-H'ers felt it was all too short a stay, they enjoyed it so much.

We arrived in Edmonton at 10:00 p.m. the following day, tired but very happy for having had such a delightful trip.

It was certainly a wonderful experience for all who were fortunate enough to be chosen for this exchange trip and it is my sincere wish that many more such trips will be made available to outstanding 4-H members. As far as their conduct is concerned, we could not have wished for a finer group of young people, they were all perfect ladies and gentlemen."

What did the delegates do while they were with their hosts? What were their impressions of our sister province? Let's listen to a few of their comments:

- "I met a lot of people and everyone was so friendly."
- "The whole week at my hostess' home was great--the days at the beach, 4-H meeting, weiner roast, shopping in Winnipeg."
- "drove to Ontario and through the forests and lakes."
- "I learned some Icelandic culture."
- "Want to return some day soon."
- "Farming isn't very different there at all."
- "Wonderful."

To complete this Centennial exchange, a bus load of Manitoba 4-H'ers were hosted in the Coronation and surrounding areas by the Coronation District Council. A social day, tours, picnics, were some of the planned events, and Manitobans got quite a generous taste of the true Alberta hospitality.

Hats off to the Coronation Council for a job well done!

Alberta 4-H'ers and Leaders Visit Montana, U.S.A.

August 14-17 was a memorable week for the four members, ten leaders, and two chaperones--Alberta's delegation to Montana 4-H State Congress in Bozeman.

The 22nd annual congress, of which this year's theme was "Privileges and Obligations of Citizenship" was attended by some 600 members and leaders from all over the State. Perhaps the congress could best be equated to three events in Alberta--Club Week, Provincial Competitions and Provincial Leaders Course.

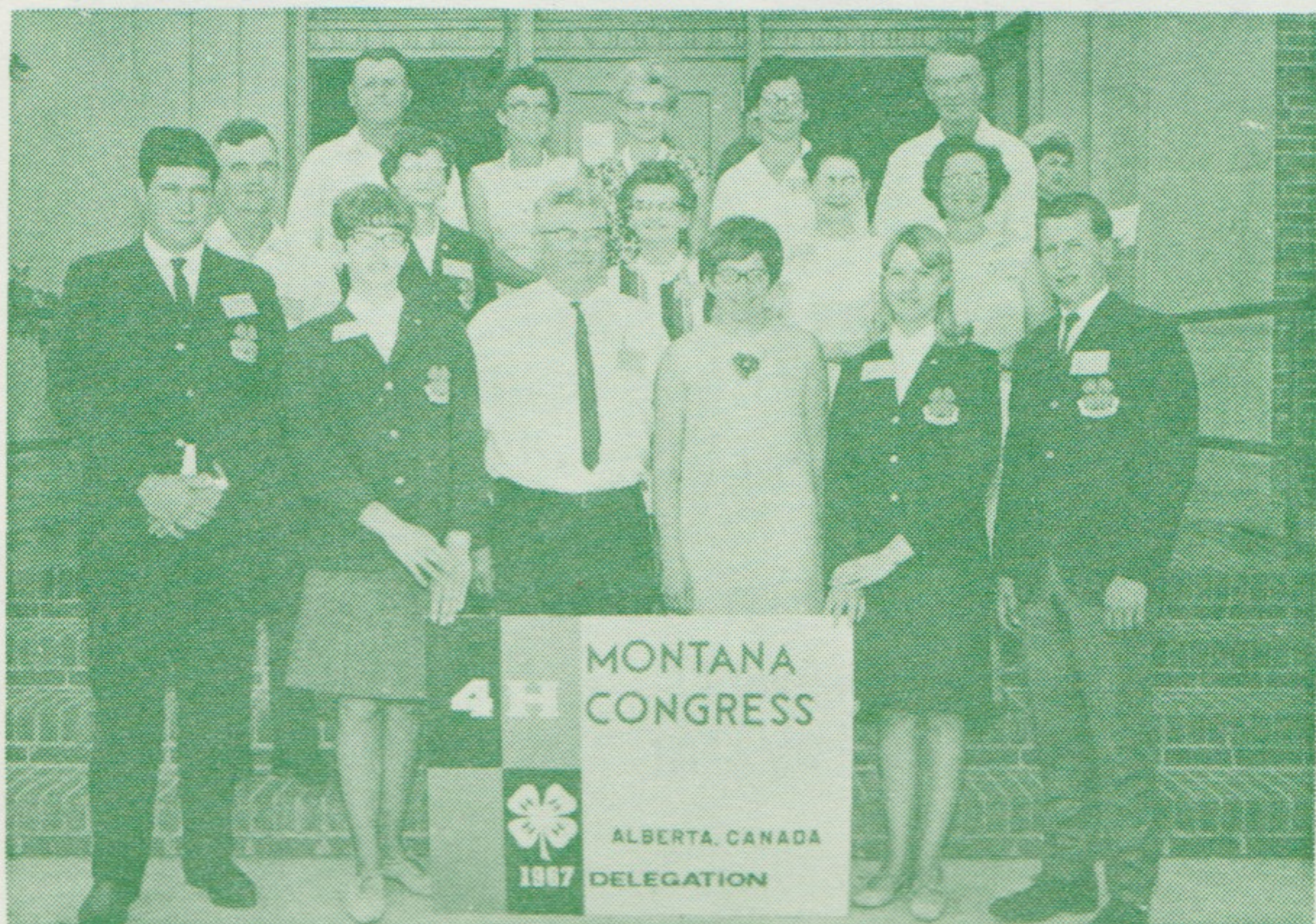
Our delegation was impressed with:-

- the friendliness and hospitality of the people
- the beautiful surroundings
- the visiting foreign students (other than ourselves)
- the demonstrations and public speaking finals
- numerous workshops in such subjects as junior leadership, livestock, home improvement
- the Montana's self-determined project
- the educational display
- the style revue and crowning of the 4-H Queen
- the beautiful solemn closing Candle Lighting Ceremony

Montana must be one of the most beautiful states. Ask any of the delegation and they will tell you about the grandeur of Glacier National Park, the beautiful Flat Lake Valley (and all the cherries they bought and ate there), the dirty dilapidated coal towns of Butte, the splendour of the famous Lewis and Clark Caverns. They walked the streets of the old Western towns of Nevada, and Virginia City. And yes, you guessed it, they also visited the most famous Yellowstone National Park, took pictures of bears and viewed Old Faithful.

Wonderful trip--sure was!

Everyone came home with numerous ideas and a long list of new friends. Mrs. Mary Wallis, Airdrie, described the trip as "Personally, I have brought back a great deal that I hope will be of value to my own club and others in my district, together with memories of a once-in-a-life-time trip."



FRONT ROW - L. to R.

Harvey Haines, Vermilion; Marilyn Duncan, Big Valley; Mr. Wm. Proctor, D.A., Wetaskiwin; Judy Murta, Assistant Supervisor, 4-H Clubs; Arlene Dowswell, Wetaskiwin; Norman Schmidt, Spruce Grove.

MIDDLE ROW - L. to R.

Mr. George Convey, Clandonald; Mrs. R. Rigney, Bon Accord; Mrs. Wm. Ion, Gem; Mrs. K. Campbell, Burdett; Mrs. J. Rosychuk, Two Hills.

BACK ROW - L. to R.

Art Zeller, Irvine; Mrs. P. Wallis, Airdrie; Mrs. E. Ainslie, Delburne; Mrs. H. Semotiuk, Vegreville; Mr. Gordon Lucas, Lomond.

National 4-H Club Conference

The 36th Annual 4-H Club Conference took place in Ottawa and Toronto, November 9-15, 1967. Attending from Alberta were John Surkan, Penhold; Gail Lamble, Thorhild; Marilyn Tatem, Tilley; Ken Cline, Ponoka; Dennis Martin, Lindale; Terry Kremeniuk, Evansburg; Stan Ainslie, Delburne; Larry Poffenroth, Midnapore; Karen Walker, Winter-

burn; Linda Paul, Namao; Betty Gessleman, Alix; Wayne Unterschultz, St. Albert; Charlotte Koole, Mossleigh; Mary Anne Brett, Red Deer. Accompanying the delegation were Mrs. Elizabeth Durie, D.H.E., Vegreville, and Lyle W. McNichol, Associate Supervisor of 4-H Clubs, Edmonton. A group of four girls from the North West Territories travelled with the delegation to Ottawa.

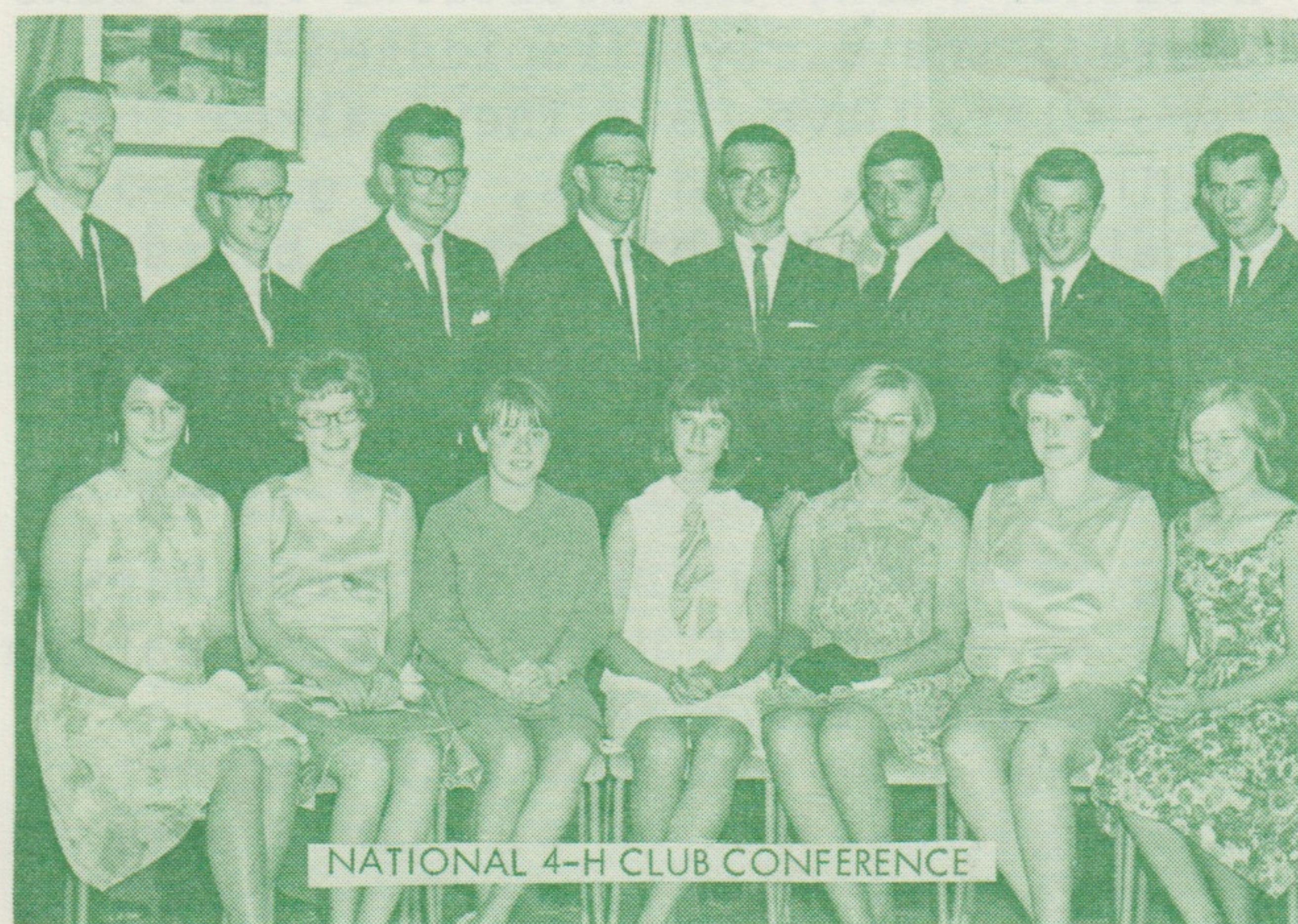
The theme of the Conference revolved about our role as a Canadian with discussion topics on "World Food Problems," Aspects of our Governmental System," "Citizenship," and "Canadian Unity." The discussions were carried out under the guidance of Dr. J. Nesbitt of Winnipeg.

Highlights of the stay in Ottawa were the presentation of Citizenship certificates to the delegates and the tours of Parliament Buildings and Ottawa.

While in Toronto, a day was spent in the Niagara peninsula and at the falls, as well as on tours of the Royal Winter Fair, Ontario Museum, City Hall, and I.B.M. Highlights were Ice Capades at Maple Leaf Gardens, Royal Winter Fair Horse Show, and meeting the Mayor of Toronto.

One special treat was having Bobby Gimbey play his Canada song at the Meat Packers Council of Canada banquet at Seaway Hotel.

The annual banquet which was held in the Royal York the night of November 15th officially ended the Centennial year Conference. The delegates then returned home by plane November 16th, 1967.



Interprovincial 4-H Exchange

Newfoundland found the heart of Norma Rigney during her two week stay. On Norma's way to Newfoundland, she explains; "During the flight to Calgary, the stewardess took us up to the cockpit to see the control panels. The view was marvellous."

In Quebec, we find Peggy Heye, of Mayerthorpe, who comments, "In Montreal I was met by a very French Agriculturist. For the two short weeks our days were filled with sight-seeing, banquets, visiting mayors, and the premier, and enjoying the company of our host families."

Larrie Davis of Innisfail claims that this was his first trip by airplane. But it was the B.C. lumber industry that made a big impression on Larrie as he states; "Anyone who has not seen either a pulp mill or a sawmill cannot imagine how enormous they are."

Our Saskatchewan delegate, Barbara Matviw of Vegreville, anticipated just an extension of Alberta but she comments, "I was sadly mistaken. I found out that such a trip depends not on where you go so much as the people you are with." In retrospect, she writes, "I found that such a trip gives one a chance to learn how other people in other parts of Canada live and work. It shows what a great impact 4-H is having on Canadian rural youth. To work hard for one of the major award trips is worth the time, trouble, and effort".